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Ms. Patricia Carmona
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463

Re: Candidate ID Number : S2NC00091

Dear Ms. Carmona:

I received your letter of May 11, 2004 regarding the Dan Blue Senate Committee (the "Committee") reports showing receipts and disbursements in support of my 2008 candidacy. As suggested in your letter, I contacted Alan Shook in your office to seek direction.

I explained to Mr. Shook that following the 2002 primary, the Committee had been advised by the software vendor that was used for its reporting that it could not file a final report because there was a debt, and that to continue accepting contributions to retire the debt, the Committee had to reflect activity in the 2008 election cycle. The Committee is still accepting contributions to discharge the 2002 indebtedness and I have authorized such. However, I am not a candidate for Federal Office and the Committee is not soliciting or spending in that regard. Mr. Shook indicated that this is an acceptable explanation and that I should memorialize it to you.

Please advise me if further response is required or whether I still need to file a Statement of Candidacy.

Thank you for your help and consideration.

Sincerely,


Daniel T. Blue, Jr.

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cc: Alan Shook